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# Swachh Bharat Quiz

## Nearly 900 students participate

*Students seen taking part in the District-level Swachh Quiz competition held at Senate Bhavan in city this morning.*

Mysuru, Dec.19 (MTY&NNN)- Tapping on the influence the children command over their parents and elders, the District Administration, Mysuru City Corporation and District Urban Development Cell (DUDC) had jointly organised a district-level Swachh Bharat Mission *'Swachh Quiz'* competition at the Senate Bhavan in Manasagangothri here this morning.

The quiz was to promote the Swachh Mission to see that Mysuru regains its top spot as the cleanest city in the country. Nearly, 950 students from different parts of the district including from rural areas participated.

Speaking after inaugurating the quiz competition, MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha said that the quiz competition has been organised for schools and colleges as children wield enormous influence on their parents. "These days, the parents listen to the children unlike in the past when children were dumbly told to follow the elders. The children inspire the parents to do some good work. The best example is the Swachhata ads by the government where children keep teasing the elders about the usage of toilets," he said.

He narrated how his four-year-old daughter asks him to stop the water flowing in the tap in the wash basin, while he is brushing his teeth.

**(See QUIZ on page 9)**

## Pandemonium at ZP Special Meeting

Mysuru, Dec. 19 (PM&US)- Pandemonium broke loose right at the beginning of the Special Meeting at Zilla Panchayat (ZP) here this morning which was convened to discuss the draft annual plan.

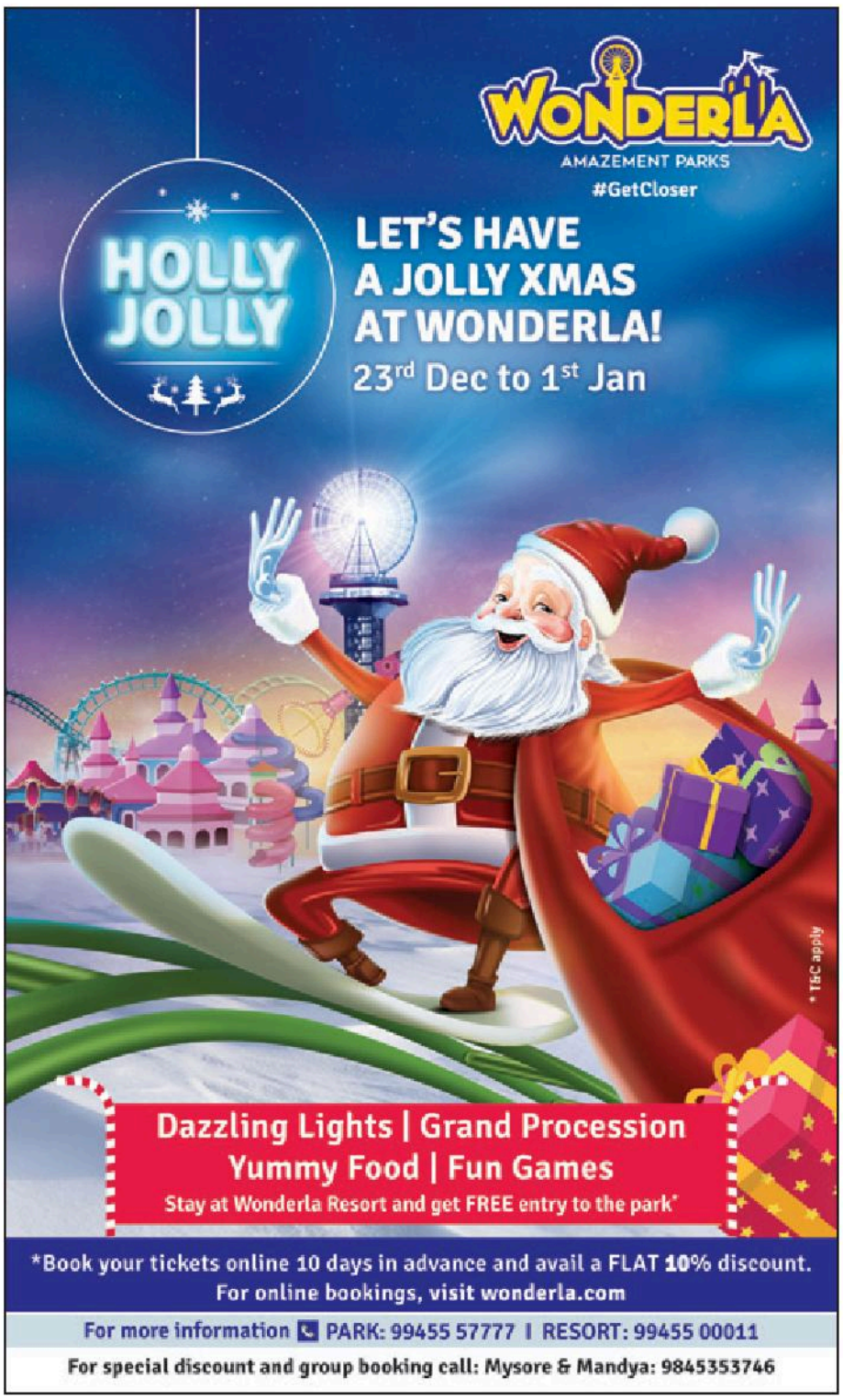
The trouble began at the start of the meeting itself when the JD (S) member S.R. Nandeesh made allegations against Chief Minister Siddharamaiah saying that his government was not keeping its promises.

As a mark of protest, Nandeesh announced that he would refuse the honorarium provided by the government.

Going further, he handed over a blank cheque to ZP President Nayeema Sulthana asking the government to recover the complete honoraria he had received so far. He even challenged to quit his post if Siddharamaiah returns as Chief Minister in the next Assembly polls.

**(See ZP on page 9)**

**STAR PUNCH** By Satish Acharya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**Editor-in-Chief: K.B. GANAPATHY B.A; B.L.**
Mysuru, Tuesday 19th December 2017


# Robots, AI and Engineering graduates to fight it out

**Days of describing India as an agrarian economy are coming to an end at an unprecedented pace year on year. Given the steadily declining share of the land's industry sector to its annually created wealth, one cannot be faulted to question the view that India is a growing industrialised region of the world. In the meanwhile, the service sector, drawing its strength from the other two sectors, is not only hogging a major share of the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) but also heading for providing livelihood to more people with multitude of backgrounds than the other two sectors, certainly not a good feature of the health of the economy that can sustain itself on its own, both in the short run but also for long. In this context, firstly the current trend of gen next not inclined to till the soil and secondly the large annual addition of engineering graduates to the existing mass facing low rating for their employability by the industry sector have proved a double whammy bugging the government.**

**The opportunities for a livelihood are in a slow lane compared to both the rate at which the population is expanding and the numbers of graduates from the hundreds of Universities and thousands of colleges across the country are producing more job-seekers than job-givers (entrepreneurs), the gap between the two yawning wider as time passes.**

**The measure taken by the government, called the Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, aimed at inducing the rustics not to rush to urban spaces in search of a livelihood has not worked towards even partial success these past few years, mostly due to the official machinery's uncommitted involvement in implementing the programme. The government is clueless about any measure that can productively harness the trained engineers in the now-closing engineering colleges across the country. According to a report in a section of the press last week, Automation and Artificial Intelligence (AI), continuing the dominating presence of digital technology, are coming in a big way resulting in making human presence in sites of all economic activities redundant, which means not only reduced opportunities for jobs to the engineering graduates but also loss of jobs on a massive scale to the already employed graduates.**

**A non-profit organisation called Indo-Universal Collaboration for Engineering Education, started nine years ago, is learnt to have taken an initiative to address the concern of inadequate employability skills of graduates. The initiative augurs well both for the system producing engineering graduates in the country and also for the nation's growing economy.**

## EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

ABOUT WIFE AND A GIRLFRIEND: *Market wizards like Warren Buffett are known for their faith in long-term investing and aversion to tactical trading. Their philosophy: buy stock at the right price at the right time, then sit back and relax. Let your stock grow with time. Indian value investor Rakesh Jhunjhunwala doesn't seem to agree with that stance. Comparing long-term investment with having a wife and trading with a girlfriend, he said, "Both are important to get a wholesome life experience."— In Business Standard.*

## NEWS SPARKLERS

### Micro-Cows

Des Moines: Remember that time when micro pigs were all the rage and made everyone go ooh and aah? Well, now seems to be the time of micro cows and the adorable tiny cattle are proving wonderful pets. There are very few micro-cattle breeders around the world and Dustin Pillard, who has been breeding them on his farm in Iowa, is probably the most well-known.

Dustin Pillard, a 46-year-old who grew up in city but regularly spent time on his grandparents' farm near Cedar Rapids. In 1992, he attended a cattle auction where he saw micro-cows for the first time. He was fascinated with them. When he became the owner of a 10-acre ranch, he populated with the tiny creatures. He bought five animals and started what is known today as the Oxen Ridge Miniature Cattle farm. Pillard is producing cows and bulls whose average height is about 33 inches (84cm). They come in various colours, featuring representatives of Texas Longhorns, Shorthorns, Jerseys, Dexters, and Watusis.

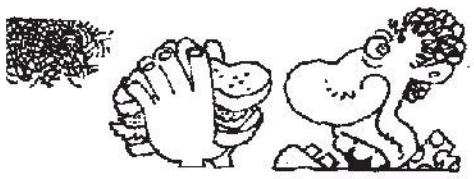
### Legendary killer croc of Burundi

Bujumbura: On the banks of the Ruzizi River in Burundi lurks a monster of almost mythical proportions — Gustave, the man-eating crocodile. He has been around for over 60 years, and has allegedly killed over 300 people.

Since Gustave has consistently evaded capture, his exact size is unknown, but estimates from scientists and eyewitnesses place him somewhere between 18 and 25 feet long. He weighs more than 2,000 lbs, or over half the weight of a typical car. He is the largest crocodile ever seen in Africa. Initially it is estimated to over 100 years old, further observation revealed that he had a full set of teeth, which meant he was much younger than that. Scientists who have studied the crocodile claim that due to his uncommon size and weight he cannot hunt the species' usual, agile prey such as fish, antelope, and zebra, which forces him to attack bigger prey such as hippopotamus, wildebeest and, occasionally, humans. Gustave's legend inspired the 2007 movie "Primeval", about a news team sent to Burindi to capture a 25-foot crocodile. Just like many in real life, they were unsuccessful.

## HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

### Should I stop eating whole grains?



A British Medical Journal study revealed that those who ate at least 3 servings daily of whole grains had a lower risk of death from disease than those who ate fewer than three. Another study: Those who ate 3 servings of whole grains had a 25% drop in the heart attack deaths and a 14% drop in cancer deaths.

**Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

# Prize winners at District and State-level contests

*The prize winners are seen with Rachana Nagesh, Principal, Shobha Rajashekar, Director and Puttaswamygowda, CAO, S.V.E.I.*

Mysuru, Dec.19 - The following students of S.V.E.I. Composite PU College, have won prizes in District and State-level competitions.

S. Hariharan of II PUC has secured 1st place in Drawing competition among 8 Districts. He also got 8th place in State level drawing competition.

L.G.Kavya and Ankitha of I PUC got 1st and 2nd place in drawing competition conducted by Sri Ravivarma Academy Trust, Shivamogga.

Asmi Shivakumar of II PU, S.V.E.I. PU College, has secured 1st place in the category of girls, WND KATA above 15 years and 2nd place in 60 kg girls Kumite at 24th State-level Karate Championship 2017 held at University gymnasium hall by Okinawa Shorin Ryu – Karate Do in association with IMSMKA.

# Training in specialised trades

Mysuru, Dec.19- The Government Tool Room & Training Centre (GTTC), located in Belagola Industrial Area, off KRS Road in city, has invited applications from eligible candidates for imparting training in specialised trades such as Turner, CAD-CAM, Tool Room Machinist, CNC Technology and Tool Design.

The applicants must have passed SSLC, ITI Diploma or BE (Mechanical). For details, contact Mob: 91416-29598 or 91416-29594.

## Really...?

- *Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI), the apex governing body for cricket in India, is the richest body in world cricket.*
- *By volume of pills produced, the Indian pharmaceutical industry is the world's second largest after China.*

## LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

***Bolu's discovery:***
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## Today's Currency Rate

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| 1 US Dollar | = Rs. 64.59 |
| 1 UK Pound | Rs. 86.14 |
| 1 UAE Dirham | = Rs. 17.58 |
| 1 Euro | = Rs. 75.97 |

## VOICE OF THE READER

# MCC to relocate pigs to city outskirts in a phased manner

Sir,

This refers to the pig menace at Naidunagar *(SOM WhatsApp* dated 29.11.2017). The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) officials visited the spot on 11.12.2017 and shifted the pigs from that location.

To control pig menace in city, the City Corporation has taken suitable measures. There are about 40 to 50 families in city who are dependent mainly on pig-rearing. Efforts are being made to relocate the pigs from the city limits.

**For this purpose, the district administration has identified two places in the outskirts of city. The process of handing over the land from the district administration to MCC is under progress. Once the process is over, all pigs in the city will be relocated to the identified places in a phased manner.** Even the pig owners have agreed to shift their animals to the identified places.

For the time being to control pig menace in city, MCC officials are warning the pig owners not to let their animals in public places and to rear them in captivity.

**—Veterinary Officer,**
**Mysuru City Corporation**
Mysuru
12.12.2017

# Interest on Oct. 2017 TDS waived

Sir,

Due to certain technical issues faced by NSDL's gateway for e-Payment of taxes on 7th November 2017, some tax payers/deductors were unable to make e-Payment of tax deducted / collected (TDS/TCS) for certain period on 7th November 2017.

In order to redress genuine hardship faced by such tax-payers/deductors, the Central Board of Direct Taxes in its circular extends the due date of deposit of tax deducted at source / tax collected at source (TDS/TCS) during the month of October, 2017 from 7th November, 2017 to 8th November, 2017.

Therefore, the deductors/collectors need not pay interest on such remittances of TDS/TCS which are deducted during October 2017 and remitted on 8th November 2017.

**—N.D. Shreenivaas,**
**Bhavani Associates,**
**on email**
Mysuru
17.12.2017

# Dasara Expo extended till Dec. 24

Mysuru, Dec. 19 (US&MTY)- The Dasara Exhibition, which was to conclude today, has been extended by five more days and will end on Dec. 24.

Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA) has decided on the extension of the expo to compensate for the losses said to have been incurred by the stall owners owing to incessant rains in October and subsequent inundation.

The 90-day expo had commenced on Sept. 20 and was scheduled to conclude today. The assigned contractor of the expo had appealed KEA for extension of the expo citing losses to a tune of Rs. 80 lakh owing to inundation following heavy rains which had drastically dropped the footfall to the expo.

Considering the plea, KEA was said to have written to the Secretary of Tourism Department and the government has given the approval for extension of five days.

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# City student wins International Boost Innovation Challenge-2017

Mysuru, Dec. 19- Sandeep Rao, a Class 11 student of Excel Public School, Mysuru, has won a Top Prize in the International Boost Innovation Challenge-2017 hosted by Swedish companies MYoroface and Fiber Optic Valley recently.

*Sandeep Rao*

The participants were asked to present a document listing their proposed solution to digitise the company's product — 'IQoro'. The device developed by MYoroface, a Swedish giant in medical technology manufacturer arena addresses the difficulties faced by people suffering from Dysphagia — a condition that causes excessive snoring ultimately resulting in a swallowing disorder.

'IQoro', a non-invasive neuromuscular device is used in the form of a daily exercise routine to reduce the severity of symptoms and allowing for better quality of sleep and rest.

Sandeep's submission consisted of not only a clear document explaining how he proposed to digitise their product with the help of recurrent neural networks and a sensor-integrated system to capture data, but also created and included algorithms, circuit diagrams, 3D designs, and business models to deploy the product into the market which truly made it an end-to-end solution.

His solution was selected as the winner among several thousands of other submissions across the world and was awarded a cash prize of 2500 euros (Rs.1,89,367).

An article published on Fiber Optic Valley's website and newsletter features Sandeep's interview after having been announced as the winner of the challenge in November.

Sandeep is the son of Ashok Rao ad Deepika Rao, residents of Kuvempunagar in city.

**GripTape Challenge-2017**

GripTape, a US based organisation funds a highly competitive and selective programme called the 'GripTape Challenge' that facilitates independent research projects created and conducted for high school students from around the world.

Sandeep has the honour of becoming one of GripTape's first international scholars by the merit of his project proposal being one of the few selected in November this year and has been given a grant of 500 dollars (Rs. 32,062.50) to further work on his project in the field of medicine.

His proposal is to create an integrated online platform for patients to find doctors most suited for their health condition which will be analysed using comprehensive algorithms.

## SJCE Global Alumni Meet on Dec. 23

Mysuru, Dec.19 - The Alumni Association of Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering (SJCE), Mysuru, is hosting "Global Alumni Meet" on Dec. 23 (Saturday) from 10 am onwards.

For details contact Dr. B. S. Harish, Coordinator, SJCE Alumni Association on Mob: 9886779078 or email:*fromsjcealumni@gmail.com.*

## Refresher course in Physics

Mysuru, Dec. 19- The Department of Physics, St. Philomena's College, has organised a two-week refresher course in quantum mechanics and nuclear physics in association with the Indian Academy of Sciences, the National Academy of Sciences and the Indian National Science Academy from Dec. 17 to 31.

The event was inaugurated on Dec.17 in the college campus.

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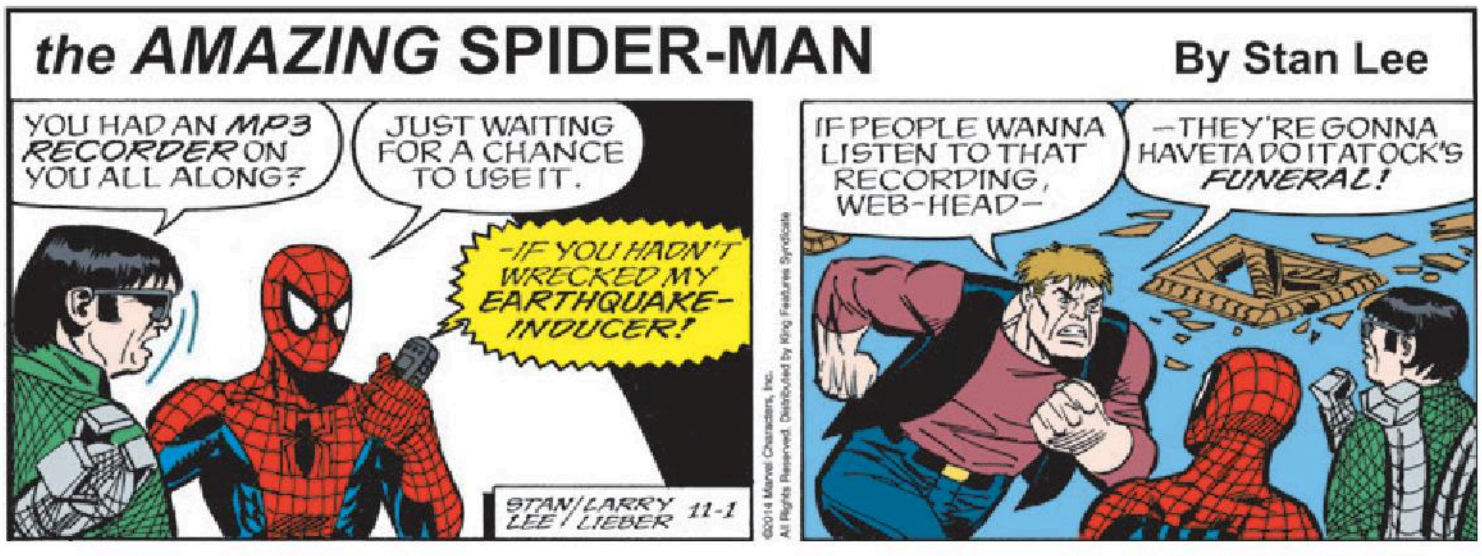
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## NEWS BRIEFS

### Free general knowledge classes

Bharateeya Samskriti Vidya Kendra has organised a free General Knowledge (Jnana Bhaskara) Classes for the students and general public from Dec.24 (every Sundays) between 12 noon and 1 pm. Those interested may enrol their names with Prof. K. Keshavamurthy on Mob: 98459-35080 or visit #298, Geethayoga, 1st Cross, H-Block, Ramakrishnanagar, before Dec.20.

### Calling SC women

The Women & Child Welfare Department has invited applications from eligible women belonging to SC category and enrolled with Self Help Groups (Stree Shakthi Sanghas), for imparting training in computer DTP, basics, Tally and Accounting, Data Entry, Dress Designing and Embroidery at the respective Taluk KEONICS (Karnataka State Electronics Development Corporation Limited) Training Centres. The applicants must be aged between 18 and 40 years and must have a minimum qualification of a pass in SSLC. The application must be submitted at the office of the Child Development Project Officer at the respective Taluk centres before Dec.21.

### Free eye camp

JSS Senior Citizen Helpline, JSS Hospital, Mysuru, in association with District Blindness Eradication Society, has organised free eye screening camp at its premises on Dec.20 from 9 am to 1 pm. [Ph: 0821-2548253/ 2448138].

### Cancer clinic

Preethi Cancer Centre has organised a free Cancer Detection Clinic at #873, Vani Vilas Road, Lakshmipuram, on Dec.21 from 10 am to 8 pm. [Ph: 0821-4259259].

### Stalls at Bahuroopi

Mysuru-based theatre repertory Rangayana has invited applications from publishers and artisans for setting up their stalls at Kalamandira premises during Bahuroopi-2018 to be held between Jan.14 and 21. Applications will be available at Rangayana office till Dec.30. Interested may avail the application by paying an amount of Rs. 100. For details, contact 0821-2512639.

### Elected unopposed

Following are the Executive Committee Members of the Srirama Seva Ursu Mandali, Nanjaraja Bahadur Education Charity Fund Boarding Home, K.R. Vanam, Mysuru, who have been elected unopposed for the year 2017-18:

Krishne Urs, P. Krishna Urs, Ganeshraje Urs, H.R. Nataraje Urs, Nandish G. Urs, N.B. Prakashraje Urs, Pratap, Manjunath Urs, Raghuraje Urs, Lakshmikantaraje Urs, Lalithammani, M.C. Vinay, Veeraraje Urs, Santhoshraje Urs, Vijaya B. Urs (reservation for woman).

# KHB land acquisition scam: ACB to takeover probe from Lokayukta

Mysuru, Dec.19- The State Government has handed over the Lokayukta probe into the alleged scam over acquisition of land for Karnataka Housing Board (KHB) projects in three villages of Yelwal hobli in the taluk, to the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB).

Following complaints of massive irregularities by officials and middlemen in the acquisition of 81 acres of land in Gungral Chatra, Kallur Naganahalli and Yelachanahalli villages in Yelwal hobli, the State Government then had ordered a Lokayukta probe into the alleged scam.

The Lokayukta which registered cases against a total of 46 persons in connection with the scam, submitted charge-sheet against them in the Court. But now, the Government has handed over the probe to the ACB.

**DETAILS**

The KHB, in a bid to form layouts, had proposed to acquire land after paying Rs. 36.50 lakh per acre as compensation to land-loser farmers in Gurgral Chatra, Kallur Naganahalli and Yelachanahalli.

As the land acquisition process got underway, allegations that officials and middlemen entered into Sale Deed with farmers by paying them anywhere between 8 and 18 lakh per acre in 2008-09, after securing GPA for Rs.36.50 lakh per acre. But as the middlemen had to pocket their money only through the bank account of the land-loser farmers, they opened fresh bank accounts for the farmers and withdraw the money by presenting cheques signed by the land-losers.

By this, the middlemen, in connivance with the officials, had minted money by paying just 8 to 18 lakh per acre when the land-loser farmers had to actually get Rs. 36.50 lakh per acre.

The Lokayukta, after conducting a probe, discovered rampant irregularities in the entire land acquisition process and submitted charge-sheet against 46 persons, who included some KHB officials, charging them of favouring the middleman in payment of compensation and thus cheating the farmers.

Those charge-sheeted include the then KHB Mysuru Executive Engineer (EE) M. Sannamallappa, AEEs M.B. Somashekar, B.R. Jagadish and M. Mahesh, alleged middlemen H. Shivashankar Pulse of Bengaluru, Jnaneshwara, Vijaya Kumar, Prakash Mahendrakar, Vishkantegowda, A.S. Nagabhushan, Aaradhya of Vidyaranyapura, Mysuru and residents of different villages in Yelwal hobli namely Chandrashekar, N.B. Manju, N.B. Vasum Shivaram, Y.N. Prakash, Basavaraj, Manju, K.S. Jayashankar, K. Chandra, Dinesh, Cheluvegowda, G.T. Yaduvar, Pradeep, Ramegowda, Rakamkrishnegowda, M. Vishwaradhya, Srinivas, Shivaramegowda, Manjegowda, Kenchegowda, Yajaman Seetaram, Lokesh, Tulasiram, Siddegowda, Ravindra, Govindegowda, Mahendra, Nanjundegowda, Shivaram, Ravi, Javarayi, Vijayakumar, Swamy, G.D. Harish Gowda, Rakamirksha of Srirangapatna and the then Manager of V.V. Mohalla Corportaion Bank Sridharan.

The initial Lokayukta probe had revealed that the compensation fixed without the knowledge of the land-losers and although the KHB had fixed Rs. 36.50 lakh per acre as compensation, the price was not known to the farmers. Also, it was discovered that middleman Shivashankar Pulse and Vijayakumar had registered land in their names after obtaining GPA from the farmers just a day after the then Deputy Commissioner held a meeting in connection with KHB land acquisition.

Upon going thorough the original records, the Lokayukta found that the KHB had spent Rs. 31 crore for acquisition of 81 acres of land at the cost of Rs. 36.50 lakh per acre. But as the acquired land did not come under 'COMPACT' terms, the proposed layouts could not be formed. Also, the middlemen are accused of opening bank accounts in Bengaluru and other places and encashing cheques, thus cheating the land owners in connivance with KHB officials. Further, the Lokayukta report said that MLA G.T. Devegowda was in touch with middlemen, who along with officials, had cheated the land-losers by not paying the full compensation released by the Government.

The Lokayukta, in its report, had sought the Housing Department's permission for prosecuting all those involved in the alleged scam. Now, the case has again come to the limelight with the State Government handing over the probe to ACB, with Assembly polls round the corner.

## Government's decision raises eyebrows

The State Government's decision to handover the probe into the alleged scam to the ACB with polls just a few months away, has raised eyebrows in political and public circles, as Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda was the KHB Chairman then. It is interesting to note that the State Government ordered ACB probe on Nov.7, on the sameday when the JD(S) organised 'Kumara Parva' rally near Yelwal in the limits of Chamundeshwari constituency, from where Chief Minister Siddharamaiah has announced his contest in the 2018 Assembly polls.

Now that G.T. Devegowda of the JD(S) has thrown a challenge to Siddharamaiah in Chamundeshwari constituency, speculations are rife that Chief Minister Siddaharamaiah, in a bid to tie down G.T. Devegowda, has ordered ACB probe, even as the Lokayukta probe is underway.

MLA G.T. Devegowda, as KHB Chairman then, had formed good layouts in his native village Gungral Chatra and surrounding villages.

The sprawling layouts near the KRS backwaters provide a wonderful sight and as such, the price of land in and around these villages soared, with farmers demanding more money for their land from prospective buyers.

## Serial thefts

Mysuru, Dec. 19 (KS)- Serial thefts have taken place in flats at an apartment on Hunsur Road here. While miscreants have stolen cash and other articles from the flats of Anand, an employee of Judiciary Department and journalist Lokesh Nerabidare, the miscreants have made a futile bid to loot the house of Somalatha, an employee at PWD.

Devaraja Police, who rushed to the spot, inspected the flats and have registered a case.

It may be recalled that two flats were burgled in the same apartment about a week ago, and the serial thefts now have shocked the residents. Though enough security is provided at apartments, it is to be known how the burglars entered the apartment and managed to loot.

## Unidentified bodies found

Mysuru, Dec.19 (KS)- In separate cases, K.R. and Lashkar Police have found bodies of unidentified persons on Dec.14 in city.

In the first case, K.R. Police have found a body of an unidentified woman, aged between 60 and 65 years, in front of a shop opposite Navagraha Ganapati Temple on M.G. Road.

The unidentified woman is 5ft. tall, wheatish complexioned, oval faced, lean built and was wearing a saffron coloured saree, green coloured blouse and a brown colour shawl.

The Police, who have shifted the body to MMC&RI mortuary, have urged the kith and kin of the deceased woman to contact K.R. Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418319/519 or Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339.

In the second case, Lashkar Police have found a body of an unidentified man aged between 50 and 55 years at the city bus stop in front of Rural Bus Stand here. The unidentified man is 5.4 ft. tall, normal built, oily-red complexioned, oval faced and was wearing a green coloured half-arm shirt and grey coloured faded pant.

The Police, who have shifted the deceased to MMC&RI mortuary have urged the kith and kin of the deceased to contact Lashkar Police on Ph: 0821-2418107/ 307 or Mob: 94808-02235 or Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339/ 340.

## Obituary

**Davendra Kumar**

Mysuru, Dec.19- Davendra Kumar (84), a resident of Metagalli, passed away here on Dec.17.

He is survived by son Dr. D. Sunil Kumar, Principal, AGMRCET, Varur, Hubballi, daughter Suma and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites took place at Chirashantidhama in Gokulam yesterday.

**G.N. Sitaramaiah**

G.N. Sitaramaiah (78), ex-Corporator and a resident of Kalidasa Road, passed away last evening.

He leaves behind his wife, a son and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at the Gokulam crematorium this morning.

# Gruha Shobhe Exhibition to conclude on Dec. 25

## Cake replica of Parliament building main attraction

***Dr. Geetha Mahadevaprasad, Minister for Sugar and Small Scale Industries, is seen lighting the lamp to inaugurate the Consumer Exhibition Gruha Shobhe at Maharaja's College Grounds in city on Dec.16 as Nagachandra, Director, Gruha Shobhe, Mohan Krishna of Simon Exhibitors and others look on. Picture right shows visitors taking selfies with the cake replica of the Parliament building at the expo.***

Mysuru, Dec.19- Minister for Sugar and Small Scale Industries Dr. Geetha Mahadevaprasad inaugurated one of the biggest International Living Style and Consumer Exhibition *Gruha Shobhe* at Maharaja's College Grounds in city on Dec.16.

For the 8th time, this year too a unique Cake Show has been organised as part of the Exhibition where a replica of the Parliament building in Delhi has been created by Dolphin 'Bakes N' Ice Creams. The 13 ft tall and 30 ft wide cake weighing 7,449 kg is a star attraction at the exhibition. The bakers have used 3,800 kg of Icing Sugar, 5,100 eggs, 1,800 lemons and food grade natural colours.

This cake is the result of a month-long effort by a team of eight persons of Dolphin Bakes. Apart from this, many other types of seasonal cakes are also available for sale at the exhibition.

This winter, *Gruha Shobhe* is a one-stop-shop for the shopaholics who are on the lookout for bargains in electronic items, household appliances such as solar products, power saver, mixers, grinders, refrigerators, washing machine, TV, juicers, water purifiers, vegetable choppers of various makes, apart from hair-dryers, hair-straighteners and even body massagers. Furniture of different varieties too are available for consumers.

For foodies, various food stalls serving delicious snacks are another point of attraction while children can have a great time at the amusement park set up at ***Gruha Shobhe,*** **which is open to public from 11 am to 9 pm till Dec. 25.**

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STAR INTERVIEW

# Mysuru Zoo is spotless, says US Zoo-keeper Anne Knapp-2

By N. Niranjan Nikam

[Continued from yesterday]

***Star of Mysore (SOM): What were the other things that impressed you at Mysuru Zoo?***

**Anne Knapp:** Plastic-free zones. No one has taken it as seriously as Mysuru Zoo. When you enter the Zoo they check your bags and if you have plastic bags, they put a barcode on it and collect a nominal sum and in the end they scan it. You can redeem it so that you don't leave your plastic behind.

They also have a very impressive composting operation where they are taking a lot of dung and leftover eatables. They collect earthworms. We don't have so much of detailing.

There is lot of direction in water conservation, especially at Karanji Lake. When it rains heavily there is a system where water rinses the moats. This is ingenious. Another thing that is impressive is childcare room set aside for nursing mothers. Moreover, here, the animals themselves look wonderful with great shiny coats and good weight too.

***SOM: Did you also study about the diet for animals?***

**Anne Knapp:** Diet is something that I am responsible in my Zoo. I supervise the concierge. My sister and I purchase all the food items; of course we buy fruits and vegetables and Mysuru Zoo buys fruits and vegetables that we cannot afford because pineapple or papaya is much less expensive here. You have access to a lot more vegetables than us.

In the United States, just like you can buy dog chow for your pet, we can buy bear chow, flamingo chow, tortoise chow; there are all kinds of commercially made chows for specific species because there are so many Zoos in the States and they would buy them for their animals. I am not sure if it is commercially feasible in India.

Here everything is made from scratch and they exactly know what is in it. You know rice flakes, barley every single ingredient including ragi that they get and make it for the animals. That is how the ragi ball discussion started when I saw these beautifully made dish and they would tell me you should eat ragi balls as it is very good for you. They make similar thing for elephants. It is giant sized and they feed them right into the elephant's mouth.

*The composting unit at Mysuru Zoo.*

***SOM: Now that you have been here for two weeks is there a unique experience you had in all these days?***

**Anne Knapp:** Every day was a unique experience.

***SOM: Any bad experience?***

**Anne Knapp:** I had a frustrating day as I was leaving. There was a person asking for money and at the same time there were teenagers asking to take a selfie with them, finding me a novelty. All the buses were pulling off and I was struggling to get on one. It is a part of life though.

*Anne Knapp seen sharing her experiences at Mysuru Zoo.*

***SOM: Did they tell you stories about the Zoo?***

**Anne Knapp:** I am disappointed. Had I not postponed my trip, I would have been here when the leopard came to the Zoo from the wild. It is another example what Mysuru Zoo is doing. I asked them about emergency preparedness. Do you have fire drills in schools? They said no they don't have. It occurred to me if every building is built out of stone it would not burn down so you need not train your children to evacuate. We were trying to think of something equivalent but I saw that as soon as the leopard had come into the Zoo they successfully trapped it.

***SOM: After your 14-day stay, how much did you get out of this exchange programme?***

**Anne Knapp:** On the last day I presented to them a couple of ideas at the Zoo where there were some senior staff and some Zoo-keepers. So told them pretty much what I am telling you and talked about some ideas that I had done.

***SOM: What kind of training would you offer?***

**Anne Knapp:** One of things we could offer is conditioning of animals. We train the animals with positive reinforcement and participate in their own veterinary care and this is done in protected contact only. The keeper never comes in direct contact with the animal but is always done with a barrier.

***SOM: What about tigers and lions? Do you have them?***

**Anne Knapp:** Yes, we do have. We have trained them. They press against the mesh and then they get their shots. It takes a while to train them but it is far safer for keepers and also stress-free.

*Lions and Red Panda at Franklin Park Zoo.*

***SOM: Do you mean to say the animals are stressed out here?***

**Anne Knapp:** I don't see them stressed. But when you go dart them or they need to be vaccinated, they are stressed at that moment because they know that they are going to get a shot. But when you get them to participate in the process, it is not scary. You sit still just like when you get a shot.

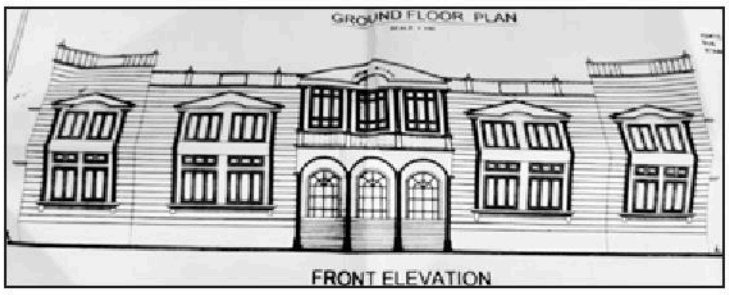
**[To be continued]**

***SOM: Have you heard of Mysuru Dasara where there is a direct contact between the elephants and their keepers?***

**Anne Knapp:** This relationship is very different. The mahouts and kavadis live, eat, sleep and travel with the elephants and that is much safer. Whereas the Zoo-keeper coming and going five or six days of a week, it is not the same relationship. I have greatest respect for them and their lives are amazing.

# Library building works begin at People's Park

*The works on the Public Library building at People's Park in Nazarbad going on in full pace.*




*A blue print of the library building.*

Mysuru, Dec.19 (NNN&PM)- Even as the NGO Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP) is struggling to find a public spirited lawyer to file a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) in the High Court to stop the construction of Public Library in park, the works on the Rs. 4.99 crore worth library building has already begun at the People's Park in Nazarbad.

The Mysuru City Central Library opposite the K.R. Hospital is very small and more than 100 years old. In this background, the Karnataka State Library Authority had drawn a plan in 2011-12 itself for a new library building.

Earlier to that in 1979 itself, the Mysore City Corporation (MCC) had decided to handover a 400X340 feet site in People's Park for the construction of a library.

The order was passed in 1980 in this regard and in 1984 through a gift deed the site was handed over to the Public Libraries Department.

However, due to a few technical glitches and the opposition from the environmentalists and MGP the construction work was delayed.

The works on the ground and first floor on a 115X121 feet floor area at a cost of Rs.4.99 crore has begun. Another revised plan has been given. Karnataka Rural Infrastructure Development Corporation (KRDIC) has been entrusted with the construction works. The government has already released Rs. 4.25 crore and the MCC will pay the remaining amount.

**Lack of space:** In the present Central Library building there is lack of space and the number of readers growing by the day. One more problem is that the building is very old and weak and parking and toilet problems have cropped up. It is hoped that the new building in People's Park will ease all these problems.

**Shankarlingegowda's voice:** Former MLA late H.S. Shankarlingegowda had raised his voice for the construction of the new library building at the Park. He had waged a single-handed battle in the Assembly before the Assurance Committee demanding for the library.

**All clearances taken:** Deputy Director of City Central Library, Dr. B. Manjunath speaking to *Star of Mysore* said that all precautions and permissions had been taken from the departments concerned like the MCC and MUDA for construction of the library building at People's Park. Even the Heritage Committee headed by the Deputy Commissioner (DC) had given its nod.

A caveat has already been filed in the Court to see that the construction work is not stopped. "The government has already released Rs. 4.25 crore and the work will be completed in one-and-a-half years. It will have a heritage look and the project has been handed over to KRIDC. No one can bring a stay as we have already filed a caveat," he said.

Meanwhile, Founder-President of MGP Bhamy V. Shenoy who is spearheading the agitation against the construction of the library in the People's Park speaking to *SOM* said, "Unfortunately right now we are not able to find a public spirited lawyer to fight for the cause. Once we find a lawyer, we are going to file a PIL in the High Court. The Government is violating all the laws by beginning the construction. We will see that it is demolished even if the building is constructed or will not allow it to function."

Shenoy expressed his anguish about the way the local MLA backed out after promising support for the cause.

He said that it was a clear violation of Karnataka Parks, Playgrounds, Open Spaces (Conservation and Regulation) Act, 1985.

The construction work on the new library building as part of the centenary celebration of City Central Library has begun. We will try to complete the work in one year. It will be very useful to the readers.

**— Dr. B. Manjunath, Deputy Director, City Central Library**

# Mobile app 'MyZoo' launched in city

*Dignitaries are seen taking a look at 'MyZoo' app through a projection after it was launched in city yesterday.*

Mysuru, Dec.19 (MTY&NNN)- The Mysuru Zoo has come up with a new Android app *MyZoo* provide information and facilities in the Zoo.

In the light of the zoo celebrating 125 years, the app which will help guide visitors inside the zoo was launched yesterday at Hotel Radisson Blu during the inauguration of 'Annual Conference of Indian Zoos' organised by Central Zoo Authority (CZA) and Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens, Mysuru. With the launching of this app, Mysuru Zoo has the distinction of being the first zoo in the country to launch the mobile app.

**What is this app?:** The mobile app *MyZoo* designed by Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens will be very useful for the visitors. The app is developed by Kesare resident Deepak Rai who founded *GeniusLead,* a company in England.

If one downloads *MyZoo* app from Google Play Store it will show which place a particular animal is housed, toilet facility, canteen, places where one can relax and other information.

The app provides information on the number of animals in the zoo along with their pictures and info in both Kannada and English. Another interesting feature is that once one enters the zoo and decides which animal to see , one has to type the name of the animal and the app leads to the place where it is housed. It is a matter of pride for the Mysuru Zoo that this is the first time in the history of the zoos that such a facility has been provided.

Deepak Rai, the developer of *MyZoo* app speaking to *Star of Mysore* said "I have registered *GeniusLead*, a software company, which I established in England, in India too. Being a resident of Kesare, one of the oldest localities in Mysuru, I had donated an app to the Government School in Kesare to mark attendance. Now, I have developed an app for the Mysuru Zoo."

It also provides information on how much money should be paid for adopting animals through e-payment, he said and added that many more features will be added to the *MyZoo* app in future.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The undersigned, on behalf of The President of India, invites E-tenders (IREPS) for the following works.

| Sl. No. | Name of wok | Approx Value |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | **Birur-Talguppa section :-** Bridge No. 80A (2x6.10M Girder)-Proposed replacement of existing girder with PSC slab. | Rs. 39,72,119/- |
| 2 | **Mysuru Division :-** Birur-Talguppa section: Interlocking of level crossing gates - construction of IRS Room of size 4.0 x 6.0m at LC No. 47 between Shivamogga (Halt) and Shivamogga Town stations and LC No. 50 and LC No. 52 between Shivamogga Town and Kolegangur (Halt) stations in Divisional Engineer/Central Jurisdiction. | Rs. 34,55,653/- |
| 3 | **Mysuru division :-** Hiring of road vehicles for track maintenance works under Senior Section Engineer/PW/Tiptur and Arsikere sections for a period of two years in Assistant Divisional Engineer/Arsikere Sub-division. | Rs. 29,65,392/- |
| 4 | **Mysuru division :-** Hiring of road vehicles for track maintenance works under Senior Section Engineer/PW/Shivamogga Town & Sagara Jambugaru section for a period of two years in Assistant Divisional Engineer/Shivamogga town Sub-division. | Rs. 29,65,392/- |
| 5 | **Mysuru :- Sub work- I:** Repairs to underground drainage arrangements beyond Quarters No. 22/VRC to 25/VRC at Vishveshwarapuram Railway Colony & **Sub Work- II:** Repairs to Scout Office at Loco Colony | Rs. 9,47,707/- |
| 6 | **Birur-Shivamogga Town section :-** Ancillary works in connection with deep screening of track by BCM between Birur-Shivamogga Town stations | Rs. 51,94,000/- |
| 7 | **Mysuru division :- (1) Assistant Divisional Engineer/ Arsikere Subdivision :** Destressing of LWRs in Arsikere-Birur section under Senior Section Engineer/PW/Arsikere **(2) Divisional Engineer/Central/Mysuru Jurisdiction:** Elimination of defective welds between Tumkur Birur, Birur Talguppa & Kadur-Chikmagalore sections **(3) Tumkur Arsikere section :** Elimination of scabbed rails at scattered locations between Tiptur and Arsikere stations in Senior Section Engineer/PW/Arsikere section - Transportation of rails. **(4) Tumkur-Birur section :-** Conversion of SWP/FR into LWR on loop line. | Rs. 50,42,322/- |
| 8 | **Senior Section Engineer/Works/Kabakaputtur section :-** Repairs to doors and windows at Subramanya Road and Kabakaputtur colonies | Rs. 30,11,806/- |
| 9 | Construction of RCC Box 6.0 x 4.50 M Cast in situ to replace the existing non standard & corroded steel girder of span 1 x 7.32m of Bridge No.473 including regarding of existing road with CC pavement, Toe walls, pitching and other protection works between Kanivur halt-Narimogaru stations in Hassan-Mangaluru section. | Rs. 84,13,672/- |
| 10 | **Assistant Divisional Engineer/Mysuru Sub-division Mysuru-Arasikere section :- (i) Sub Work- I:** Repairs to station building, toilet of Station Master office Platform toilet and circulating area and CLR at Akkihebbalu, Belagula, Sugarakatte,Hampapura, Mavinakere and Mancagere stations. **Sub Work- II:** Repairs to borewell with hand pump and water supply pipeline at Kalluru-Yedahalli Hampapur, Arjunahalli, Beerahalli, Mavinakere and Akkihebbalu stations. | Rs. 22,91,686/- |
| 11 | **Mysuru Division :-** Interlocking of level crossing gate (TVU more than 20,000) Construction of IRS room of size 4.0 x 6.0m at LC No. 51 at Km.57/000-100 between Akkihebbalu-Mancagere stations in Mysuru Arasikere section in Divisional Engineer/West/Mysuru jurisdiction | Rs. 11,51,884/- |
| 12 | **Mysuru :-** Repairs to valley gutters at platform No. 1 to 6 at Mysuru station | Rs. 18,68,560/- |
| 13 | **Mysuru :-** Repairs to open drainage and cover slab between Road No. 1 & 2 at Mysuru yard | Rs. 41,62,329/- |

Last date of submission of bids for above tenders is 25.01.2018 upto 11.00 Hrs.

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**Divisional Railway Manager (Works), South Western Railway, Mysore.**

# How ego politics help the enemy

Point of VIEW

T.J.S. George

**Owaisi is fielding candidates in the forthcoming election in Karnataka, where the BJP is exerting every muscle and every rupee it has to regain power. The Congress has a fair chance to win, but splitting of votes can eliminate that chance. Those with short sight won't care. This is how small minds help their enemies and create dislocations that harm themselves and the larger polity.**

Small minds can create big dislocations in a democracy. When Prakash Karat says that the CPM's purity cannot be diluted by association with bourgeois parties, when Sharad Pawar fields 72 candidates in Gujarat knowing that he cannot go beyond single digits, when Mayawati, who put up 163 candidates in 2012 and scored 0 seats, fields 165 candidates this time, when Samajwadi Party pours money into the campaign knowing that it will get nowhere — when such things happen, what we see is ego superceding basic political common sense.

Everyone from Karat to Mayawati wants the BJP defeated because of its communal extremism. The basic political common sense then is for them to field common candidates so that votes won't be split leading to the adversary's victory. But conceit won't allow them to do that. In the 16-seat Surat area, the NCP is contesting in 9 seats and the local Chief agreed that votes in those seats would get divided to the BJP's advantage. It's as though politicians are happy to cut the nose to spite the face.

Small parties get smaller as a result of such egocentric policies. Under Prakash Karat the CPM has become an inconsequential party. Not that it was very consequential before he became General Secretary. But his predecessor Harkishen Singh Surjeet had enabled the party to punch above its weight. An amiable networker, he had excellent personal relations with all parties and all leaders which made him a key player in times of crisis and controversy. Under him the CPM, despite having no power, wielded great influence.

Karat proved to be the very opposite of Surjeet, considering himself ideologically superior to all others and confining his contacts to a handful of party cronies. He not only witnessed the loss of West Bengal which the party had ruled for more than three decades; his petulance led to the party losing an effective voice it had in the Rajya Sabha. Sitaram Yechury was popular. Perhaps, for that reason Karat turned against him and ensured that he was not given a third term. In the name of ideology he refuses contact with the Congress. The BJP won't even thank him for the assistance thus provided.

Uttar Pradesh VIPs are even more thick-headed. Exhortations have appeared in the media emphasising that Akhilesh Yadav is the natural opposition candidate to take on Narendra Modi in 2019. As a Samajwadi loyalist put it: Rahul Gandhi may not be acceptable to others as the face against Modi, but Akhilesh will be. He conceded that his party could have friendly relations with the Congress, but not a joint programme; "Akhilesh against Modi in 2019 will be a winner."

Most other parties ignored this proposition. Naturally. But Mayawati's admirers won't let such a claim go unnoticed. Naturally. A BSP spokesman quickly dismissed Samajwadi pretensions. "Behenji is the only leader with a pan-India presence. If there is to be a Prime Ministerial candidate from the opposition, it has to be Behenji." The advantage with UP leaders is that they know that the sun rises in Ballia and sets in Ghaziabad of which Delhi is a suburb.

A new entrant to this game of "me-first" is Asaduddin Owaisi, the Muslim entrepreneur from Hyderabad. His home seat has been a fortress for him for long. But the rise of Telangana and BJP's deliberate inroads into his bastion have raised new challenges. In a frank admission, the articulate Owaisi said recently: "If we are silent our identity will be wiped out from Indian politics."

So he contested 35 seats in far-away UP. He did not win even one. (He got a consolation prize when he bagged 29 of the 78 seats in UP's municipal elections). He split Muslim votes and contributed to the massive victory of the BJP. The effect of splitting was dramatically illustrated in Deoband, a Muslim-majority area and seat of a famous Islamic centre. The BJP's Hindu candidate won there. The BSP's Muslim candidate and the Samajwadi's Muslim candidate together won more votes than the BJP candidate.

Refusing to learn the lesson, Owaisi is fielding candidates in the forthcoming election in Karnataka, where the BJP is exerting every muscle and every rupee it has to regain power. The Congress has a fair chance to win, but splitting of votes can eliminate that chance. Those with short sight won't care. This is how small minds help their enemies and create dislocations that harm themselves and the larger polity. "Behold, my son, with how little wisdom the world is governed."

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# Participate in Swachh Survekshan to help Mysuru regain top spot

## Download Swachhata app; Call toll free no. 1969, register complaints, five lucky winners get Rs.10,000

Mysuru, Dec.19 (SBD&NNN)- Mayor M.J. Ravikumar and Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) Commissioner G. Jagadeesha have appealed to the people of the city to participate in Swachh Survekshan to help Mysuru regain the top spot in the country for cleanliness for the third time.

Motivating the people to download Swachhata app and participate in the survey by registering complaints, Ravikumar said that just as one keeps the houses clean, one should also see that their surroundings are kept clean. "As 1,400 marks has been allotted for residents' participation, I request everyone to download the app and participate," he said.

Addressing a press meet here yesterday at the Council Hall, Ravikumar and Jagadeesha said that the Corporation has decided to pick five lucky winners who participate in Swachh Survekshan and give Rs.10,000 cash prize each.

"In Swachh Survekshan this time, out of the 4,000 marks, 1,400 marks is earmarked for residents' participation. In this, the use of Swachhata app has been given a lot of importance. So far only 4,000 people have registered, whereas 18,000 people have to participate. Another 14,000 still have to use the app. Hence, we request the citizens to download the app in large numbers and help the city regain the top spot," said Ravikumar.

Along with this, the citizens' feedback will begin from Jan.4. The residents are requested to call toll free no.1969 and answer a few questions, he urged.

"This time among those who download Swachhata app and register complaints, five people will be picked and given a prize of Rs.10,000. Already environmental committees have been set up in 580 schools. Apart from this, Sthree Shakti SHGs and Residents Welfare Associations are involved in Swachhata Abhiyan," said Jagadeesha.

**Swachhata app:** Download the Swachhata app on your Android mobile phone through Play Store and register your mobile number. Register the OTP (One Time Password) or verification code number. Then register the location you are in. At this time, the location setting should be on. After doing all this, one should register complaints, this will help the city get Swachhata top award again.

# Kodava Deenabandhu Charitable Trust holds annual donors meet

*The annual donors meet of Kodava Deenabandhu Charitable Trust, Mysuru, was held at Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa Community Hall [Kodava Samaja] in Vijayanagar in city this morning. Maj. Gen. (retd.) C.K. Karumbaya is seen addressing the gathering about the Trust and its services rendered since its inception during 1996. Others seen in the picture are Trustees Dr. K.C. Belliappa, P. Shanthi Ganapathy, Trust President K.A. Kariappa, Hon. Secretary P.A. Jayakumar, Treasurer Wg. Cdr.(retd.) C.G. Madappa and Trustees M.Chimy Nanjappa & M.M. Karumbaiah. P. Lovely Appaiah rendered the invocation.*

# Pandemonium at ZP Special Meeting

*Congress members including former ZP President Dr. Pushpa Amarnath are seen complaining against JD(S) member Nandeesh to ZP President Nayeema Sulthana at the special ZP meeting.*

**(Continued from page 1)**

Taking serious objection to Nandeesh's allegations, Congress members Dr. Pushpa Amarnath and Ravishankar said that the meeting was supposed to discuss on the annual draft plan but Nandeesh was unnecessarily politicising irrelevant issues wasting precious time.

With Congress Members threatening to walk out of the meeting, the ZP President tried to pacify the warring members but in vain. With no other option, she adjourned the meeting for 30 minutes.

The meeting had just resumed in a tensed environment when we went to the press.

ZP CEO P. Shivashankar and ZP Vice-President G. Nataraju were present.

## Swachh Quiz

**(Continued from page 1)**

Asked who had taught her, the child replied that it was the teacher who had taught her to save water. "Hence, we realised that a quiz like this would help us to promote the cleanliness campaign," Jagadeesha said.

He said that Swachh Committees had been constituted in nearly 580 schools in the district to create awareness about garbage collection, waste segregation and to clean blocked drains.

MCC Health Officer Dr. D.G. Nagaraju said that on Oct. 2, 2014 *Swachhata Abhiyan* was started in the country and this five-year mission will end on Oct. 2, 2019. "To regain the top spot there are three guidelines that we should follow: segregation, garbage collection and transportation. If at least 20,000 people register for *Swachh Survekshan-2018,* then the chances of regaining the rank is very high," he said.

DUDC Project Director Loknath, Education Officer Shivamurthy and others were present.

Questions posed by the quizmaster in the beginning were too tough and mostly related to international issues. Jagadeesha asked the quizmaster to pose questions related to *swachhata* and then the lively interaction began. Students from rural areas were seen in their elements answering tough questions. Results will be announced this afternoon.

## MYSORE WINTER RACES 2017

(By Our Racing Correspondent)

### 'Shining Magic' may win

Mysuru, Dec.19 - The following are the selections for the 5th Day Mysore Winter Races to be held here tomorrow (20th December 2017)

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| 1. | **1.45 PM THE SHILLONG PLATE DIV II**<br>1200 mts. [rated 20 to 45] Outstation horses<br>*1. Celtic Mist 2. Neera* |
| 2. | **2.15 PM THE COMMON GROUNDS PLATE**<br>1200 mts (rated 00 to 25)<br>*1. Country's Sepoy 2. Safe Bet* |
| 3. | **2.45 PM THE SHILLONG PLATE DIV I**<br>1200 mts. (rated 20 to 45) Outstation horses<br>*1. Nagarjuna 2. Why Should I* |
| 4. | **3.15 PM THE ELUSIVE PIMPERNEL TROPHY DIV II**<br>1200 mts. (rated 40 to 65)<br>*1. Enthralling 2. Swiss Pearl* |
| 5. | **3.45 PM THE NAGARJUNA SAGAR PLATE**<br>1600 mts. (rated 20 to 45)<br>*1.John Cabot 2. Invincible Wish* |
| 6. | **4.15 PM THE ELUSIVE PIMPERNEL TROPHY DIV I**<br>1200 mts. (rated 40 to 65)<br>*1. Be Ready 2. Class Above* |
| 7. | **4.45 PM THE BIJAPUR PLATE**<br>1400 mts. (rated 60 and above) Outstation horses<br>*1. Shining Magic 2. Revalnation* |
| 8. | **5.15 PM THE LALBAGH PLATE**<br>1600 mts. (rated 40 to 65)<br>*1. Momotaro 2. Castle King* |

***DAY'S BEST:*** *NAGARJUNA*
***DOUBLE:*** *1. JOHN CABOT 2. BE READY*
***JACKPOT:*** *4,5,6,7,8*
***I TREBLE:*** *1,2,3;* ***II TREBLE:*** *3,4,5*
***III TREBLE:*** *6,7,8*
***EXACTAS:*** *7,8*

***—Tipster PGC***

# Legislative Council Chief whip holds progress review meeting

Mysuru, Dec. 19 (RK&DM)- Government Chief whip in the Legislative Council, Ivan D'Souza, who also head a Monitoring Committee on spending of Christian Minority Welfare Funds, held a progress review meeting at the CSI Wesley Church on B.N. Road here this morning.

Later speaking to presspersons, Ivan D'Souza said that the Government has allotted Rs. 175 crore for Christian Community Development and the committee headed by him, has been entrusted with the task of ensuring that all funds under various schemes reach the beneficiaries.

Explaining the benefits to the community under various housing and other Government schemes, he said that the community has sought establishment of an exclusive Christian Development Corporation. The other demands include proper political representation in accordance with the community's population and adequate allocation of funds for the community's welfare in the State Budget, among others, he said and added that he had found that the funds have been used appropriately in most of the districts that he had toured so far.

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## Parangathotsava -2017

# 'Music and dance should be relished as art'

*Renowned Sarod Maestro Pt. Rajeev Taranath is seen lighting the lamp to inaugurate the 'Parangathotsava-2017' at Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha on JLB Road in city recently as (from left) Rangayana Director Bhagirathi Bai Kadam, Art Patron K.V. Murthy, Flautist Pt. Praveen Godkhindi and Danseuse Dr. Vasundhara Doraswamy look on. Picture right shows Pt. Praveen Godkhindi felicitated during Parangathotsava.*

Mysuru, Dec.19 (US&SBD)- "Music and dance should be relished as art and just speaking at length on them appears inappropriate," opined renowned Sarod Maestro Pt. Rajeev Taranath.

He was speaking after launching 'Parangathotsava-2017,' a National-level 31st edition four-day Classical Music and Dance Festival at Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha on JLB Road here recently which was organised by Vasundhara Performing Arts Centre (VPAC).

Pt. Rajeev Taranath commended the service rendered by Dr. Vasundhara Doraswamy in promoting performing arts.

Heaping praises on Flautist Pt. Praveen Godkhindi, he said that the applause extended by art lovers was unparalleled to any award or title conferred by the Government.

He sarcastically remarked that the so called awards instituted by the Government or any social organisation were just incidental questioning the rationale behind the evaluation system.

Speaking on the occasion, Rangayana Director Bhagirathi Bai Kadam opined that there was an integral relationship among theatre, music and dance. However, she observed that unlike music and dance, theatre artistes should also put in a lot of effort and practice to up hold theatre in high esteem.

Pt. Praveen Godkhindi was felicitated on the occasion.

VPAC President K.V. Murthy, Dr. Vasundhara Doraswmay and others were present.

Pt. Praveen Godkhindi presented a flute recital.

# 'Lamp expo reflects continuity of Indian heritage, culture'

Mysuru, Dec.19- Lighting a lamp in the beginning of any function is a tradition in our country. It exudes positivity and supposed to bring in prosperity, peace and happiness to the people. It has a spiritual significance. Lamp is a representative of the fire or light and light symbolises knowledge that removes darkness, said Prof. P.K Misra, President, Anthropological Association, Mysuru.

He was speaking after inaugurating Deepam Exhibition at Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Manav Sangrahalaya (IGRMS), Southern Regional Centre (SRC), here on Dec.11 and said that such exhibitions reflect the continuity of Indian culture and heritage, cutting across the ethnic boundaries of our nation.

Lamp (Deep) is a part of various tradition and cultures around the world in general and India in particular.

In almost every Indian home across the rural, urban divide, a lamp is lit daily in relation to sacred or secular domains of culture, he added.

IGRMS Officer in-Charge J. Vijay Mohan welcomed and Prof. Sarit Kumar Chaudhari, Director, IGRMS, Bhopal, introduced the chief guest.

Dr. Shashi Kumar, Deputy Director, Anthropological Survey of India, Kolkata, Dr. Jakka Parthasarathy, former Director, Tribal Research Centre, Ooty, Dr. Viswanathan Nair, former Director, KIRTADS, Kerala and Himanshu Misra, Scientist-E, BARC, Mumbai, were present.

# Seamless flow of melody

*Bombay Jayashree is seen presenting a vocal concert at JSS Music Conference held at JSS Sangeeta Sabha.*

**By Dr. Padmavathi Narasimhan**

Bombay Jayashree's concert at the JSS Music Conference stood out for its seamless flow of melody and sahitya bhava. Jayashree's music has a meditative tone.

Jayashree combined technique and melody in her concert. The very first number 'Sami ninne kori' the varna in Shri raga, established her vast experience as a vocalist. Swati Tirunal's 'Deva Deva Jagadeeshwara Jaya Bhujagasana' found a richly crafted nerval at 'Paavananubhava nija bhuja vikrama,' followed by well-designed swaras.

Begade was majestic, where Jayashree tapped the raga's majestic contours. 'Neeve ra kula dhanamu santata' by Tyagaraja came with sobriety and lore.

Before launching the Thodi Alapana, Jayashree sang Tyagaraja's 'Baagayanayya' in Chandrajyoti, which was suffixed with swaras rich in raga-bhava. Thodi came with a feel of comfort. Both the alapana and the song brimmed with emotional appeal. The charana part of Kaddanu variki kaddu' provided ample space for nerval at 'Needu ra nirakarinchi mudduga tambura batti.' Violinist Mysore Srikanth followed the vocalist's vision and presented his versions with insight. **Patri Satish Kumar** on mridanga and **Giridhar Udupa** on ghata won tremendous applause from the audience.

The Behag tillana by Lalgudi Jayaraman was treated with equal seriousness and devotion. What marked the concert was the way the artiste enjoyed her own music, lost in piety.

# Dakshina Kesari Kannada Sahitya Award presented

Mysuru, Dec. 19 (KS)- Dakshina Kesari Kannada Sahitya Prashasti-2017, the Kannada Literary Award instituted by Lions Club of Mysore South, was presented to Dr. M.S. Veda, Professor in Kannada Studies and Littérateur, as part of Kannada Rajyotsava celebration held at a private hotel in city recently.

The award was presented by MLA Ln. M.K. Somashekar in the presence of other dignitaries and the gathering.

Speaking on the occasion, MLA Somasekhar congratulated Dr. Veda for winning the coveted award this year and appreciated the good work done by her in promotion of the Kannada Literature.

Earlier, Prof. M. Varadaraju introduced Dr. Veda to the gathering and elaborated the details of her Kannada Literary Works.

Speaking on the occasion, Ln. Prof. K.P. Kumar stated that the earlier winners of this award were Dr. Benum Chandraiah, Dr. D. Javregowda, Dr. Ramegowda, T.N. Seetharam, Dr. B.S. Sannaiah, Dr. P.K. Rajasekhar, Dr. M.S. Krishnamurthy, Dr. G.R. Thippeswamy, Dr. Latha Rajasekhar, Dr. Krishnamurthy Hanoor, Dr. H.J. Lakkappa Gowda, Dr. C. Naganna, late journalist Rajasekhar Koti and other stalwarts of Kannada Literature.

*MLA Ln. MK Somasekhar presenting Dakshina Kesari Kannada Award-2017 to Dr. M.S. Veda as members of Lions Club of Mysore South look on.*

Ln. H. Ashwath Narayan, the Deputy District Cabinet Secretary, Lions Clubs International, Dist. 317 A, was the chief guest.

Ln. H. Ramesh, District Chairperson for Kannada & Culture, Lions Clubs International, Dist. 317 A, was the guest of honour. Region Chairperson Ln. Nasir Mohammed and Zone Chairperson, Ln. P. Rajan and a large number of people from different walks of life were present.

# City Police Annual Sports Meet begins

*Infosys Senior Vice President Shaji Mathew is seen releasing balloons to inaugurate the Police Sports Meet organised by Mysuru City Police at CAR Grounds in city this morning. Also seen are DCP (CAR) B.V. Kittur, DCP (Traffic and Crime) Dr. Vikram V. Amathe, City Police Commissioner Dr. A. Subrahmanyeswara Rao, DCP (Law and Order) N. Vishnuvardhana and others. Picture right shows Mahila Police personnel take part in athletic competition.*

Mysuru, Dec. 19- The three-day Police meet organised by Mysuru City Police was inaugurated by Infosys Senior Vice President Shaji Mathew at CAR Grounds located on the foot of Chamundi Hill, here yesterday.

Prior to the sport meet, the participated took part in the march past. City Police Commissioner Dr. A. Subrahmanyeswara Rao administered the oath the athletes.

DCPs N. Vishnuvardhana, Dr. Vikaram V. Amathe and Basavaraj Kittur and others were present. The Police personnel took part in event such as 100 mts sprint, tug-of-war and others. Police personnel from CAR, Narasimharaja, Devaraja and Krishnaraja sub-divisions, Mahila Police, City Traffic Police and Special Unit are taking part in the event.

# District Armed Reserve Force emerge overall champions

*DAR personnel are receiving the overall championship trophy during the valedictory of three-day sports meet.*

Mysuru, Dec. 19- The District Armed Reserve Force emerged as the overall champions in the three-day Mysuru District Police Annual Sports meet held at DAR Grounds located at Jyothinagar in city recently.

DAR's Raghunandan, who emerged as individual champion scoring 30 points, was awarded a brand new Hero Splendor bike and Asha, who is posted at Jayapura Police Station, was awarded furniture for home emerging as individual champion in the women's section.

This is not all, Mahesh of Jayapura Police Station and Rashmi of Saligrama Police Station were awarded refrigerators each, washing machine for Sunil and Kiran was awarded a television.

IGP (Southern Range) Vipul Kumar, SP Ravi D. Channannavar, Nanjangud ASP Mohammed Sujitha, Mysuru South ASP Arunamshu Giri and others were present.

**RESULTS**

100 Mts Men's: 1. J.B. Raghunandan, 2. Govind Raju, 3. M.H. Krishna; 200 mts and 400 mts: 1. J.B. Raghunandan, 2. M.H. Krishna, 3. Praveen Kumar; 800 mts: 1. J.B. Raghunandan, 2. M.H. Krishna, 3. Malluswamy; 1,500 mts run: 1. Mahesh, 2. S. Siddanayaka, 3. K. Swamy; 5,000 mts run: 1. Mahesh, 2. G. Mallesh; 4x100 mts relay: 1. DAR, 2. Special Unit, 3. Hunsur Division; 4x400 mts relay: 1. DAR, 2. Mysuru South, 3. Special Unit; Long Jump: J.B. Ragunandan, 2. J.S. Nagaraju, 3. J. Mahendra; High Jump: J.B. Raghunandan, 2. K. Swamy, 3. G.S. Raghu; Shot Put: 1. C.N. Ravi, 2. Govind Raju, 3. Ravikumar; Discuss Throw: 1. S. Manjunath, 2. Girish, 3. Manjunath (Hunsur).

Women: 100 mts sprint: 1. Asha, 2. Vinayashree, 3. Suma; Long Jump – High Jump: 1. Vinayashree, 2. Vidyashree, 3. Asha.

Women Officers: Discuss Throw: 1. Savi, 2. Yasmeen Taj, 3. Suchitha; Shot Put: 1. Savi, 2. Yasmeen Taj.

CPI and RPI Category: 100 mts sprint: 1. Kantharaju, 2. Harsha, 3. Shankaregowda; Shot Put: 1. Poovaiah, 2. Karim Ravthar, 3. B.K. Harsha; Discuss Throw: 1. Shivakumar, 2. Poovaiah, 3. B.K. Harsha; ASI-PSI slow walking race: 1. Shivaprakash, 2. Nandeesh Kumar; Above Inspector Rank: 1. Dy.SP Venkatesh, 2. Lava, 3. Shankaregowda.

DYSP, ASP and SP category: 100 mts sprint: 1. Venkatesh, 2. Mohammed Sujitha, 3. Arunamshugiri; Shot Put: 1. Venkatesh, 2. Ravi D. Channannavar, 3. Bhaskar Rai; 303 Rifle Shooting: 1. S. Suma, 2. Mahadevamma, 3. Vidyashree; 9mm Pistol Shooting: 1. Ravi D. Channannavar, 2. N. Rudramuni.

# U-18 Tennis Tournament in city

Mysuru, Dec.19- Karnataka Tennis Players Parents Association (KTPPA) will be conducting the AITA National-level Championship Series U-18 (boys & girls) tennis tourney at Mysore Tennis Club courts, Chamarajapuram, from Jan. 8-12. Entry may be sent to katppa@gmail.com. The qualifying rounds will be held on Jan. 6-7. The sign-in for qualifying rounds will be on Jan.5 from 12 noon to 2 pm. The main draw singles sign-in will be on Jan. 7 from 12 noon to 2 pm. For details, contact Tournament Director Goutham Manjunath on Mob: 9986298388.

Sri Gopalaswami Memorial Cricket Tournament

# The Mysore Gymkhana score over FACC

Mysuru, Dec.19- The Mysore Gymkhana registered a big 172-run win over FACC in the Sri Gopalaswami Memorial Cricket Tournament 2017 conducted by the KSCA Mysuru Zone at the Gangothri grounds here yesterday.

**SCORES:** The Mysore Gymkhana 249 for nine in 50 overs (Ismail Shaik 53, S. Raviraj 47, V.S. Yashwanth 38, M.S. Swaroop 23, G.L. Raghunath five for 41) bt FACC 77 in 19 overs (C. Sudharshan Rao four for 15, L. Karthik Kumar two for 31, Harish two for 25, Koushik Ranganath two for one).

# Sri M. N. Krishna Rao Memorial Open Rapid Chess Tourney

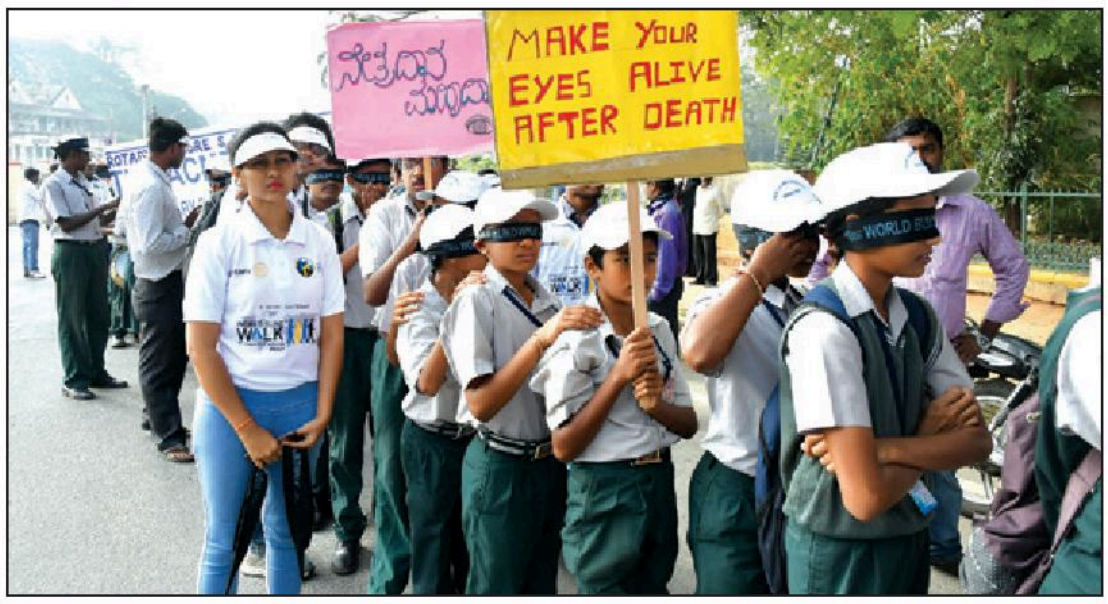
Mysuru, Dec.19- The Mysore Chess Centre, Mysuru, will be conducting Sri. M. N. Krishna Rao Memorial Open Rapid Chess Tournament from Dec. 23-24 at Hotel Paradise premises, Yadavagiri here.

For entries log on to *www.mysorechess.in* or contact M. Nagendra - 8123819220. The organisers have fixed an entry fee of Rs.700 for open above 13 years and Rs.500 for below 13 years. Rs. 50 extra for non-UK-CA members). A total cash prize fund of Rs. one lakh is in the offing for the winners of the first 25th place. Trophies plus 5 medals in U-7 (boys & girls), U-9 (boys & girls), U-11 (boys & girls) and U-13 (boys & girls) and two prizes for veterans will be given.

# Mysore Varsity Body Builders for All India Competition

***The University of Mysore's Best Physique team which will be taking part in the All India Inter University Best Physique Competition to be held from Dec. 20-23 at Chandigarh University, Mohali, Punjab. Seen in the picture are** (standing from left) **K. Puneeth Kumar and R. Ravi and** (sitting from left) **P.S. Madhusudhana (Coach & Manager) and University of Mysore, Department of Physical Education In-charge Director Dr. P. Krishnaiah.***

# Blind Walk spreads message on importance of eye donation in city




Mysuru, Dec. 19 (MTY&KS)- A Blind Walk, organised by the Rotary District 3181 and Project Vision, to create awareness on the importance of eye donation was held in city on Sunday.

The Blind Walk was flagged off by DC D. Randeep by blindfolding the participating students.

Speaking on the occasion, the DC regretted that though people were learning about the importance of eye donation, the number of eye donations was decreasing.

Stating that it was necessary to create more awareness in this regard, he said that the District Administration would extend its support for the unique cause.

The participants, carrying placards with messages on eyes donation, assembled in front of Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple near Mysore Palace and walked for about 1.5 kms passing through the Clock Tower, Gandhi Square, Old Bank Road and K.T. Street, before culminating at the starting point.

Rotarians Suresh Chengappa, Sumeeth, P.V. Ramadas, R. Venkatesh, Project Vision's Swamy and others were present during the programme.

# People from other regions living in State should learn Kannada: Prof. Nissar Ahmed

Mysuru, Dec.19 (PM&DM)- Maintaining that people of other States living in Karnataka should learn to speak Kannada, poet Prof. K.S. Nissar Ahmed has asserted that Kannada is not 'useless' but a 'less used' language.

He was addressing a gathering of writers and Kannada activists at the Kannada Rajyotsava celebrations organised by Kannada Chaluvaligarara Kendra Sangha at the Institution of Engineers-India (IEI) on JLB road here on Sunday.

Blaming those Kannadigas who lack a sense of pride towards their mother tongue for the prevailing situation of Kannada, Prof. Nissar Ahmed regretted the tendency of employing people from other States when our own youths were jobless.

Pointing out that Kannadigas should always raise their voice for the cause of language, he said that he was glad to say that the *Nityotsava* song penned by him is still popular even after 50 years.

Reminiscing *Rashtrakavi* Kuvempu whom he described as his mentor, he credited Kuvempu for spreading the light of Kannada among the people through his works.

Prof. Nissar Ahmed further said that the honour bestowed on him to inaugurate this year's 'Nada Habba' Dasara in September, was a rarity.

Senior littérateur Dr. C.P. Krishnakumar (CPK) said the fight for Kannada seems to be never ending with Tamil Nadu raking up the Cauvery water issues.

Stressing on the need for launching a Pro-Kannada Movement at a time when the language is under threat, he noted that Kannada would have faced a more severe threat had not for Pro-Kannada organisations and fighters.

Former MP and JD(S) leader A.H. Vishwanath, in his address, questioned the organisers of the recently concluded 83rd Akhila Bharata Kannada Sahitya Sammelana for not inviting him to various sessions during the annual literary meet held in city.

Pointing out that he himself was a writer having a few works to his credit, he said that he has published seven books, with some of them even having a foreword by prominent writers.

Prof. Nissar Ahmed and Dr. CPK were feted on the occasion.

District BJP President Kote M. Shivanna, writer Dr. Malali Vasanthkumar, MLA Kalale Keshavamurty, District Kannada Sahitya Pareshat President Y.D. Rajanna, Kannada Chaluvaligarara Sangha President B.A. Shivashankar, Hotel Owners' Association President C. Narayanagowda and Social worker K. Raghuram were present.

# Actor Pankaj Kapur likely to inaugurate Bahuroopi -2018

## The annual theatre extravaganza to be held between Jan. 14 and Jan. 21

*Pankaj Kapur*

Mysuru, Dec. 19 - Renowned actor and theatre person Pankaj Kapur of Mr. Karamchand fame, will be inaugurating Bahuroopi - 2018 National Theatre Festival at Rangayana here. However, the actor is yet to confirm his participation.

Rangayana, which organises the annual theatre festival, is also said to have approached actors Nana Patekar and Mohan Lal for the inaugural event to be held on Jan. 14, 2018. The eight-day theatre fest,being organised on the theme 'Migration' will culminate on Jan. 21. The plays, street plays, seminars will be held at venues — Bhoomigeetha, Kalamandira, Mini Auditorium, Kindarijogi and Vanaranga.

Prior to be named as Bahuroopi, the national theatre festival was launched as AKKA Festival during 2001 when renowned theatre-director Prasanna held the reins at Rangayana.

Rangayana has selected 'Migration' as theme to highlight issues related to migration of people from rural areas and animals as well.

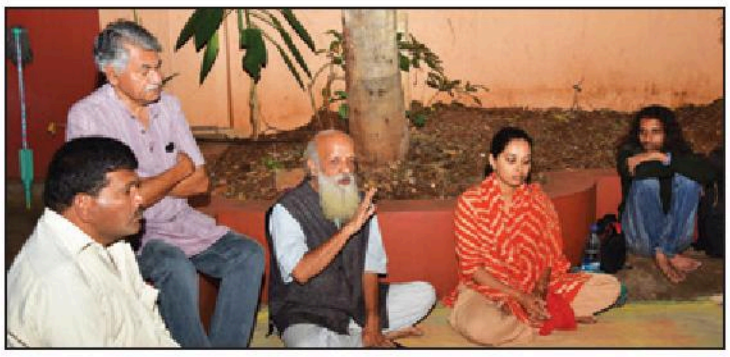
The theatre repertory has invited drama troupes from Pune, Manipur, Kerala, Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh to stage plays. This apart, Rangayana artistes will be staging the plays 'Three Sisters' and 'Kola'.

There will also be five one-woman shows — two Kannada and three other languages. Among these shows, 'Jeevith Ya Amruth' by Seema Biwas will be the one to watch.

The other plays at the fest include Kali Natakam (Malayalam), Museum of Spices is in Danger (Hindi – Mumbai), Pandvai (Folk Art – Madhya Pradesh), Samajswasthya (Marathi- Pune), Bhaktha Prahalada (Telangana).

Rangayana will also provide an opportunity for students to exhibit their folk art skills through 'Yuva Spandana.' The repertory will make use of the services of amateur theatre groups in the city in organising the festival. The members of the theatre groups will be working to conduct street plays as part of the publicity programme which is expected to commence at the earliest.

# Think of ways to save 'God' from the clutches of Rightists: Prasanna



Mysuru, Dec.19 (SPN&DM)- maintaining that the time has come to save the 'God' that propagates human values, from the clutches of Right wing groups, theatre personality Prasanna has said that Left wing groups should always be alert to thwart any attempts to divide the society.

He was speaking at the 'Chinatana-Manthana' programme organised at 'Charvaka' on Panchamantra Road in Kuvempunagar here on Sunday.

Stressing on the need for launching a non-political Movement focussing only on social concerns, Prasanna regretted that Right wing ideologies is gaining more support across the world.

Pointing out that Leftist thoughts have run out of the way as the Movements launched were fraught with political speeches and Leftist literature, he emphasised on the need for propagating Basavanna's ideology of 'Kayakave Kailasa.'

# Mangalore University VC addresses AIISH graduates in city

***AIISH Gold Medallists** — (standing from left) **Vishnu Priya, Shanthala and Nithya** — **with Co-ordinator Prof. Ajish K. Abraham and** (sitting from left) **AIISH Director Dr. S.R. Savithri, chief guest Mangalore University VC Prof. K. Byrappa, former UoM VC Prof. S.N. Hegde and former AIISH Director Prof. M. Jayaram. Picture right shows a section of graduates.***

Mysuru, Dec.19-The All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), Mysuru, held its Graduation Day on Dec.16 in the Seminar Hall, Knowledge Park, Naimisham campus.

Prof. K. Byrappa, Vice-Chancellor of Mangalore University, who delivered the Graduation Day address, called upon the graduates to feel proud of the fact that they were passing out of one of the best institutes in the country.

He said that the graduates from AIISH should try to identify people with disability and impart skills to them to make them employable. They should work to redefine the concept of disability in the light of the paradigm shift that has taken place in recognising the rights of persons with disabilities.

Stating that human creativity has become a group process, he said they must improve their skills on working with teams to attain significant success.

Prof. S. N. Hegde, former Vice-Chancellor, Mysore University, presented the gold medals to the graduates and urged the AIISH graduates to go back to their native village and help the local administration to establish facilities in those villages, needed for persons with speech and hearing problems.

He stressed that it is the only way to come out of the urban-rural divide.

Prof. M. Jayaram, former Director, AIISH, led the graduates to take their pledge.

Briefing on the challenges to be faced by the professionals in the field of communication disorders, he insisted that their approach should be evidence-based rather than being clinical-based.

He also impressed upon the graduates to focus on developing test materials to meet the multilingual demands of the country.

Dr. S.R. Savithri, Director, AIISH, presided. Prof. S.P.Goswami, welcomed. Prof. Ajish K. Abraham, co-ordinated the programme.

Certificates were awarded to 120 outgoing diploma, graduate, post-graduate and doctoral students in the field of Speech and Hearing and Special Education. Eight students received gold medals for outstanding academic excellence.

# 'Christian Community rendered injustice in grant of funds meant for minorities development'

***Seen in the picture are** (from left) **Parish Priest - St. Joseph Cathedral Fr. N.T. Joseph, Visiting Professor - Chair in Christianity,UoM Dr. Dayananda Prabhu, Bishop Emeritus Rev. Dr. Thomas Antony Vazhapilly, Bishop of Mysore Fr. Dr. K.A. William, MLA Vasu, City BJP President Dr. B.H. Manjunath, Youth JD(S) leader G.D. Harish Gowda and Advocate Jayaraj from Mangaluru, among audience at the Mysuru District Christian Convention in city on Sunday.***

Mysuru, Dec.19 (SBD&DM)-Christian Social Welfare Association President Harry D'Souza has said that the Christian community was rendered injustice in spending of funds granted by the State Government for the Welfare of Minorities.

He was speaking at the Mysuru District Christian Convention 'Our Share Our Right' organised by the Association at St. Phenomena's College premises in Bannimantap here on Sunday.

Alleging that census conducted in 2011 had said that the Muslim community had a population of 80 lakh and the Christian community 11 lakh, when in fact the Christian population was 40 lakh, D'Souza said that the Christians were getting a raw deal under '3B' Category.

Pointing out most of the funds granted for Minorities Welfare Department was going to the Muslim Community, as other Minority Communities such as Jains, Parsis, Buddhists, Sikhs mostly stayed away from the Department, he urged the Government to ensure that Christians get their due share in the Funds meant for welfare of minorities.

The programme convenor Dr. Anil Thomas, in his address, read out the demands put forth by the Association to the Government.

The demands included establishment of an exclusive Christian Development Corporation, allotment of Rs. 850 crore to the Christian Community out of the Rs. 2,750 crore announced by the State Government in 2017 for the welfare of Minorities, appropriate reservation in jobs and education for the community and a proper census of the Christian Community.

Former Minister and Senior BJP leader S.A Ramdas, who was a chief guest, opined that the Association should have placed it's demands before the Government a couple of years ago.

But now that the countdown for the Assembly election has begun, he was unsure whether the present Government will address the demands.

Assuring that he will speak to the BJP leadership on the Association's demands, Ramdas observed that the term 'Our responsibilities' should be included in the Convention's theme of Our share, Our Right!

MLA Vasu, in his address, said that we were all Indians and must stay united for the welfare of the country.

Pointing out that equal share holds key for our country to become much stronger, he said that he would write to Chief Minister Siddharamaiah and the Minorities Welfare Minister on meeting the Association's demands and about the Convention held in the city.

Bishop of Mysore Father Dr. K.A. William presided. Bishop Emeritus Rev Dr Thomas Antony Vazhapilly, State BJP Minorities Wing office-bearer Rashmi D'Souza, City BJP President Dr. B.H. Manjunath, Youth JD(S) leader G.D. Harish Gowda, C. Royappa, Leslie Moras, Dr. Maria Joseph, Sister Joisy, Alexander Vincent and Arokia Das were present. On the occasion, a huge cake was cut as part of Christmas celebration.

## WORD OF THE DAY

### Terpsichorean

**Pronunciation:** Terp-sih-kuh-REE-un
**Meaning:** Of or relating to dancing.
**Origin:** In Greek and Roman mythology, Terpsichore was one of the nine muses, those graceful sister-Goddesses who presided over learning and the arts. Terpsichore was the patron of dance and choral song (and later lyric poetry), and in artistic representations she is often shown dancing and holding a lyre. Her name, which earned an enduring place in English through the adjective terpsichorean, literally means "dance-enjoying," from terpsis, meaning "enjoyment," and choros, meaning "dance." Choros is also the source of choreography and chorus (in Athenian drama, choruses consisted of dancers as well as singers). The only other word we know that incorporates terpsis is terpodion, an obsolete term for a piano-like musical instrument that was invented around 1816 but never really caught on.

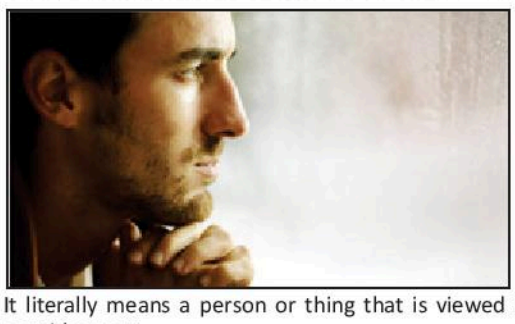
## THE ODD WORD

### Ecclesiography

Treatise or writing on the church.

## PHRASE OF THE DAY

### A countenance more in sorrow than in anger



**Meaning:** It literally means a person or thing that is viewed more with sadness than with anger.
**Origin:** The phrase has originated from Shakespeare's Hamlet, 1602. In the book, Horatio describes to Hamlet the appearance of his father's ghost:
Hamlet: What, look'd he frowningly?
Horatio: A countenance more in sorrow than in anger.

## QUOTE BOX

Just when I think I have learned the way to live, life changes.

**—Hugh Prather**

## RIDDLE THIS

A boy throws a baseball. It travels 40 feet and then goes right back to the boy. How is that possible?

*Answer: The boy threw the baseball straight up in the air.*

## SUDOKU

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| | | 5 | | | | 7 | | |
| | | | 8 | 6 | | | | |
| 9 | | | | | 2 | 8 | | 6 |
| | 3 | | 1 | | | | | 5 |
| | | | 2 | 5 | 9 | | | |
| 2 | | | | | 7 | | 4 | |
| 7 | | 6 | 9 | | | | | 2 |
| | | | | 2 | 8 | | | |
| | | 1 | | | | 5 | | |

Answer to previous puzzle

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | 8 | 7 | 5 | 6 | 1 | 9 | 4 | 3 |
| 6 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 9 | 5 | 8 | 7 |
| 3 | 5 | 9 | 8 | 4 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| 9 | 4 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 1 |
| 5 | 3 | 8 | 1 | 9 | 6 | 7 | 2 | 4 |
| 1 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 8 |
| 7 | 2 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 5 |
| 4 | 9 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 8 | 7 | 2 |
| 8 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 7 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 9 |

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

## CROSS WORD

**ACROSS:**

1 FBI agent (slang) (1-3)
5 Small casks
9 Dutch airline
12 Ms Mukherjee who starred in "No one killed Jessica"
13 It fits to _ ___ : it fits perfectly? (1,3)
14 Associate in Applied Sciences, acronym?
15 Is not, in contracted form
16 Differential or integral for a maths student?
18 Ruler of ancient Egypt at the time of Exodus
20 Request For Inf.
21 Stomach muscles
22 "Do read" for a change for a tree found in India
25 African tongue
28 ___ good : bad?
29 Grow old or mature
30 Footwear
31 Wooden peg, pin, or block
32 Slave or serf
33 ___ one's heart out : grieve continuously?
34 In short, it means amongst other things
35 Gastropod mollusc
36 Sew
38 Vulgar, ill-bred fellow
39 Mountain pass
40 Makes torpid or insensible
44 Lively
47 Marshy plant
48 Loud continuous noise
49 Greek letter "I"
50 ____ Ferber : "So Big" author?
51 Fuel economy letters
52 Animal noise
53 Search for

**YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:**

| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| H | E | R | B | ■ | E | O | S | ■ | P | A | I | D |
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| S | C | A | R | F | ■ | E | T | C | H | ■ | ■ | ■ |
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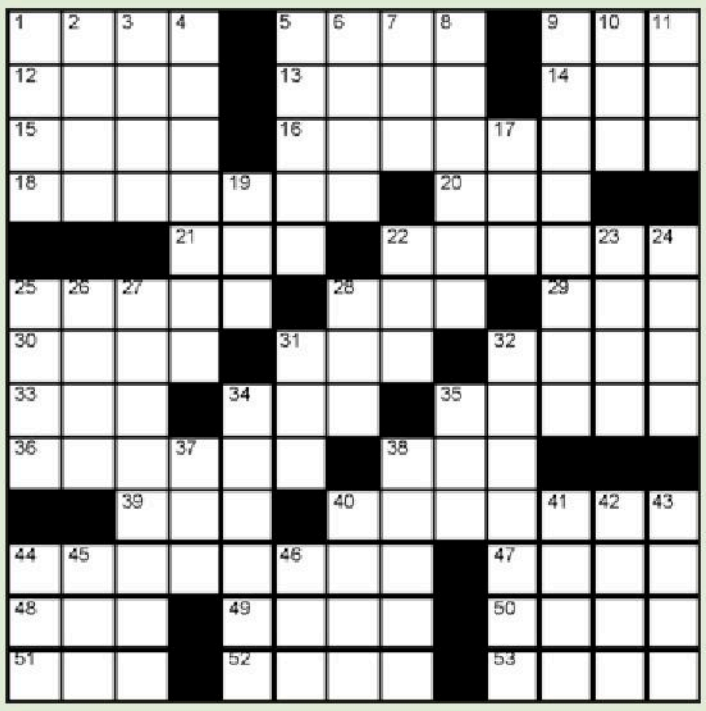
**DOWN**

1 Hold firmly
2 Squash or pulverize
3 Leo Tolstoy's ___ Karenina
4 Nitric acid
5 Items of Mexican food
6 American state
7 Ten decibels?
8 _____ service : employment agency for spies?
9 Great Sanskrit poet of Meghadoot and Raghuvamsa
10 Fijian island
11 Short for 'manuscripts'
17 Flying Saucer?
19 Rajasthan's Mount ____
22 Top ___ : victor or master?
23 Hindu god of fire
24 Lively type of Scottish dance
25 Bombay Suburban Electric Supply, in short?
26 At the drop of __ ___ : almost instantaneously? (1,3)
27 Heeding
28 No objection certificate, acronym
31 To the ___ degree (the ultimate)
32 Stands or bears
34 Light cake filled with cream or custard
35 "S" in SF the city
37 Pet name for Thomas
38 Evergreen tree - "cared" anagram?
40 Alpha's follower?
41 Persian of old
42 "B" in N.B.?
43 Pierre is its cap. (1,3)
44 Admiral, abbr.
45 A small drink of liquor
46 ___ much : quite a bit?



## CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

**M VLNGG OFR INVRK UE HNEV MO RZEMOA**

**RF WZFGFOA RLKU - MNO PGKUMOA**

**TODAY'S CLUE: A EQUALS G**

**Yesterday's Cryptoquip:** Drive-in banks were established so most of the cars today could see their real owner.

## NOW SHOWING

| Movie | Theatre | Phone | Shows |
|---|---|---|---|
| **KANNADA** | | | |
| *Illa* | Prabha | 2423569 | 2 Shows |
| *Mookha Hakki* | Prabha | 2423569 | 2 Shows |
| *College Kumar* | Woodlands | 2422871 | 4 Shows |
| | Sterling | 2481170 | 4 Shows |
| *Sahasa Simha* | Thibbadevi | 2452958 | 4 Shows |
| | Mahadeshwara | 9900820093 | 4 Shows |
| | Lido | 2420885 | 4 Shows |
| *Tarak* | Gayathri | 2443568 | 4 Shows |
| *Ajji Lehya* | Olympia | 2420737 | 4 Shows |
| *Mufti* | Shanthala | 2427584 | 4 Shows |
| | Sangam | 2520494 | 4 Shows |
| | Saraswathi | 2541451 | 4 Shows |
| *Bharjari* | Lakshmi | 2443584 | 4 Shows |
| **HINDI** | | | |
| *Muzaffarnagar* | Sri Nagaraj | 2520490 | 4 Shows |
| *Bareilly Ki Barfi* | Balaji Deluxe | 2497199 | 4 Shows |
| *Love Hunters* | Uma | 2520009 | 4 Shows |
| **TELUGU** | | | |
| *Raju Gari Gadhi 2* | Skyline | 2481170 | 4 Shows |
| *Mathangi* | Padma | 2521923 | 4 Shows |
| *Jawaan* | Rajkamal | 2423554 | 4 Shows |

### DRC CINEMAS — PH: 4240422, 4241800

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Ferdinand (E-3D)* | (S-1) | 11.00 am |
| | (S-2) | 1.30 pm, 3.40 pm |
| | | 5.45 pm |
| *Star Wars: The Last Jedi (E-3D)* | (S-1) | 1.15 pm, 4.10 pm |
| | | 7.05 pm, 9.55 pm |
| | (S-2) | 10.30 am |
| *Monsoon Shootout (H)* | (S-2) | 7.50 pm |
| *Seetha... Ramuni Kosam (Te)* | (S-2) | 9.50 pm |
| *Illa (K)* | (S-3) | 11.00 am |
| *Maayavan (Ta)* | (S-3) | 1.30 pm |
| *Tumhari Sulu (H)* | (S-3) | 4.10 pm |
| *Aruvi (Ta)* | (S-3) | 7.00 pm |
| *Juliet Lover of Idiot (Te)* | (S-3) | 9.50 pm |
| *Mufti (K)* | (S-4) | 10.20 am, 1.10 pm |
| | | 4.05 pm, 7, 9.55 pm |

### INOX LIVE THE MOVIE — PH: 2533444 / 2533456

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Star Wars: The Last Jedi (E-3D)* | (S-1) | 10.40 am, 4.10 pm, 9.40 |
| *Star Wars: The Last Jedi (E-2D)* | (S-2) | 12.55 pm, 6.25 pm |
| *Ferdinand (E-3D)* | (S-1) | 1.45 pm, 7.15 pm |
| *Ferdinand (E-2D)* | (S-2) | 10.30 am, 4.00 pm |
| *Fukrey Returns (H)* | (S-2) | 9.30 pm |
| | (S-4) | 4.25 pm |
| *Mufti (K)* | (S-3) | 10.50 am, 6.50 pm, 9.50 |
| | (S-4) | 1.25 pm |
| *Maayavan (Ta)* | (S-3) | 1.50 pm |
| *Hare Krishna !* | (S-3) | 4.30 pm |
| *Illa (K)* | (S-4) | 11.00 am |
| *Juliet Lover of Idiot (Te)* | (S-4) | 7.15 pm |
| *Aruvi (Ta)* | (S-4) | 9.55 pm |

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

## TV TONIGHT

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 7:00 pm Jeet Gayi to Piyaa Morey | 7:00 pm Tu Sooraj Main Saanjh Piyaji | 7:30 pm Mere Sai |
| 7:30 Aisi Deewangi... | 7:30 Ye Hai Mohabbatein | 8:00 Vighnaharta Ganesh |
| 8:00 Zindagi Ki Mahek | 8:00 Rishton Ka Chakravyuh | 8:30 Porus |
| 8:30 Piya Albela | 8:30 Ikyawann | 9:00 Rishta Likhenge Hum Naya |
| 9:00 Kumkum Bhagya | 9:00 Naamkarann | 9:30 Haasil |
| 9:30 Kundali Bhagya | 9:30 Yeh Rishta Kya Kehlata Hai | 10:00 Ek Deewana Tha |
| | | 10:30 Yeh Un Dinon Ki Baat Hai |
| 5:00 pm Wild Frank | 6:30 pm Kbd Heroes 2017 | 6:00 pm Primal Survivor |
| 6:00 Man Vs. Wild | 7:00 Ind Vs Sl 2017 | 7:00 Airport Security |
| 7:00 Food Factory | 7:30 Cricket Countdown | 8:00 Animal Fight Club |
| 7:30 Food Factory | 8:00 Isl Rewind 2017/18 | 9:00 Prime @ 9 |
| 8:00 Wild Frank | 8:30 Knight Club 2017/18 | 9:30 S.O.S - Smartest Show on Tv |
| 9:00 Man Vs. Wild Reloaded | 9:00 Ind Vs Sl 2017 Odi's Hls | 10:00 India's Mega Kitchens |
| 10:00 Bear Grylls Survival School | 9:30 Follow The Blues | 11:00 Primal Survivor |
| 10:30 American Digger | 10:00 Ind Vs Sl 2017 Odi's Hls | |
| 6:30 pm Oggy And The Cockroaches | 7:00 pm Mahaganapathi | 7:00 pm Kaveri |
| 7:00 Roll No 21 | 7:30 Ennu Swantham Jaani | 7:30 Avalu |
| 9:00 Teen Titans Go! | 8:00 Naga Kanyaka | 8:00 Nandini |
| 9:30 Horrid Henry | 8:30 Shaneeswaran | 9:00 Jeevanadhi |
| 10:00 Ben 10 | 9:00 Nandini | 9:30 Doddamane Sose |
| 11:00 Dragon Ball | 9:30 Ayalathe Sundari | 10:00 Sarayoo |
| | 10:00 Premam | 10:30 Udaya Singer Junior |

## MOVIES TONIGHT

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 3:50 pm **The Chronicles of Narnia** | 5:01 pm **Jack The Giant Slayer** | 5:12 pm **Rock Of Ages** |
| 6:03 **True Lies** | 7:04 **XXX** | 7:11 **Survivor** |
| 8:59 **Ice Age** | 9:00 **Daddy's Home** | 9:01 **Ocean's Twelve** |
| | 10:51 **Tower Heist** | 11:14 **The Crew** |
| 6:04 pm **Jaanbaaz Khiladi** | 5:54 pm **Entertainment** | 4:00 pm **Gayab** |
| 8:55 **Ekkadiki** | 8:50 **Shoorveer** | 7:00 **Teleshopping** |
| 11:48 **Mr. Mobile 2** | 11:35 **Roadside Rowdy** | 8:20 **Vijay** |
| 5:28 pm **Sachin: A Billion Dreams** | 4:00 pm **Bayasade Banda Bhagya** | 4:42 pm **Ready** |
| 8:29 **Rush** | 7:00 **Ranga SSLC** | 7:55 **Nayak: The Real Hero** |
| 10:59 **The Last Witch Hunter** | 10:00 **Chapala Chennigaraya** | 11:55 **Shivaay** |

# Sharadadevi Mahila Samaja celebrates anniversary

*The 26th anniversary of Sharadadevi Mahila Samaja and Sharadadevi's 165th Jayanti celebrations were held at Rajat Sabha Mantap in Ganapati Temple premises in Ramakrishnanagar I-Block recently. Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda, KSGH Music and Performing Arts University Vice-Chancellor Dr. Sarvamangala Shankar, former Mayor B.L. Bhyrappa, Ward 16 Corporator M.K. Shankar, Samaja President K. Pushpa Machaiah, Secretary S. Padmavati and Executive Committee Members were present.*

## EVENTS TODAY (DEC.19)

**Gruha Shobhe:** Living Style Exhibition, Maharaja's College Ground, **up to 9 pm.**

**Shree Mahaveera Jain Vidyalaya:** Annual Day, Utsav'8 cultural extravaganza, M. Zohra Jabeen, Director, Directorate of Urdu and other Minority Language Schools, GoK, chief guest, Manjula, guest of honour, Devichand S. Salecha, President, Shree Mahaveer Jain Vidyalaya, Mysuru, presides, Kalamandira, **4 pm.**

**Children's Literary Club, Mysuru:** "Imagination on the Run: Children Enact Scenes from Select Stories" - Part 6, Co-ordinated by Club Director Dr. R. Purnima, Government Girls Hostel, Adi Pampa Road, V.V. Mohalla, **5 pm.**

**Sri Andal Mandiram Trust:** Dhanurmasa puja, discourse on 'Thiruppavai' by Dr. G.V. Narasimhan, Mandiram premises, V.V. Puram, **5.30 pm to 7 pm.**

**Hebbar Srivaishnava Upasabha, Sri Goda Govinda Seva Samiti and Sri Vaishnava Sabha:** 'Tiruppavai Kaalakshepa' (Sri Godopanishath) programme, discourse by Vidu. Janaki Sheshadri, Sri Vaishnava Sabha, Kantharaj Urs Road, Saraswathipuram, **5.30 pm to 7 pm.**

**Sri Vedavidya Prasarini Sabha:** Sampurna Srimadramayana Discourse Series by Dr. K.S. Narayanacharya, Sarada Vilas College Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm to 8.15 pm.**

**Sri Venugopalaswamy Temple:** Discourse on 'Thiruppavai' by Dr. G.V. Narasimhan, Temple premises, Tyagaraja Road, K.R. Mohalla, **7 pm.**

## EVENTS TOMORROW (DEC.20)

**District Department of Health and Family Welfare:** Inauguration of workshop for folk troupes of Mysuru Division, Nanjaraja Bahadur Choulty, **10.30 am.**

**Gruha Shobhe:** Living Style Exhibition, Maharaja's College Ground, **11 am to 9 pm.**

**Children's Literary Club, Mysuru:** "Imagination on the Run: Children Enact Scenes from Select Stories" - Part 7, Co-ordinated by Club Director Dr. R. Purnima, Government Girls Hostel, Adi Pampa Road, V.V. Mohalla, **5 pm.**

**Krishnadhama:** Udupi Palimaru Mutt Seer Sri Vidyadeesh Swamiji will be received near Javaregowda Park, Saraswathipuram, 5 pm; Civic felicitation and Guru Vandana to Swamiji, Krishnadhama, **6 pm.**

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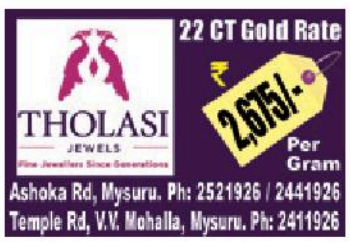

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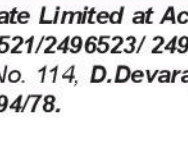
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